

[6th February 1923]

A.—A petition on the subject from certain residents of the Poonamallee and Kilpauk divisions addressed to the Corporation of Madras was forwarded to Government by the President of the Corporation of Madras in July 1915.

Proposals to remove the Government brick and lime-kilns to a place outside the Madras municipal limits were approved in 1913 and the necessary lands were also acquired. Certain items of preliminary work have been carried out. Further progress has been retarded owing to litigation arising from the acquisition of the new site. The result of the civil suit is still awaited by Government and the removal of the brickfields to the new site will be effected as soon as the case is finally disposed of. An inquiry has shown the desirability of erecting new lime-kilns near the Madras cement works owing to the economy to be derived by burning lime as near as possible to the point where it enters Corporation limits; and an estimate for constructing new kilns at this site is now under the consideration of the Chief Engineer.

*Appointment of honorary magistrates.*

789 Q.—Khan Sahib A. P. I. SAIYID IBRAHIM RAVUTTAR: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the office of honorary magistrate has been conferred upon a subordinate official of the Madras Corporation in active service?

A.—Yes. It is presumed that the hon. Member is referring to the appointment of Mr. Stanley, the Superintendent of the Zoo.

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR:—"There is a rule that a member of the union board may not be appointed as an honorary magistrate in the place of his jurisdiction as union member. Similarly, there is a rule for municipalities that no municipal councillor shall be appointed as an honorary magistrate within the jurisdiction of the municipality. Is not such a rule to be observed in this case also?"

The hon. Sir K. SRINIVASA AYYANGAR:—"I want notice of the question."

*Provision of latrines in public offices in Trichinopoly.*

790 Q.—Khan Sahib A. P. I. SAIYID IBRAHIM RAVUTTAR: With reference to my question No. 526, dated 1st September 1921, will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the subject matter of the said question has been brought to the notice of the Board of Revenue;

(b) whether the Board of Revenue has taken any steps in the matter; and

(c) whether the Government cannot place on the table the full report, and the action, if any, taken by the Board of Revenue?

A.—(a) The question put by the hon. Member in September 1921 and the answer given thereto were communicated to the Board of Revenue in October 1921.

(b) The Government have no information.

(c) There are no reports to be placed on the table,